



# Village of Biscayne Park

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## Board Members

Matt Davis  
Chair

Matt Davis  
Tom Pliske  
Marie Smith  
Richie Strassberg  
Karen Cohen

## MINUTES Ecology Board

Ed Burke Recreation Center  
11400 NE 9<sup>th</sup> Court, Biscayne Park, FL  
Monday, January 28, 2013 at 6:30pm

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Karen Cohen

### 2. Roll Call

Present at the meeting were board members Cohen, Davis, Smith and Strassberg

### 3. Additions, deletions and withdrawals

### 4. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the November 19, 2012 meeting were approved.

Minutes of 12-13-13 were read and will be typed and presented by Richie Strassberg at the meeting of 2-25-13.

### 5. New Business

Karen Cohen announced that she would be resigning from the Board. After that she left the meeting.

New elections were held. Matt Davis was nominated for Chair and Richie Strassberg was nominated for Vice-Chair. Motion to approve was unanimous.

The Chair polled members to determine goals or projects that each member wanted to focus on in the following year. Topic presented by individual members included improving and increasing the participation in the recycling program, ensuring the proper maintenance of the Village's tree resources to promote their long term health, educating homeowners about tree health, participation in Earth Hour, considering preservation of Australian Pines in ROW's, and removal of invasive potato vines. This was an initial list of individual member interests to help guide discussion and agenda development. The discussion was to continue the next meeting.

Mr. Strassberg indicated that Earth Hour would be on March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8:30 pm. Ideas such as signs at the Park entrance and creating block challenges were discussed. Mr. Strassberg indicated he would bring ideas to the next meeting.

### 6. Old Business

Mr. Davis addressed continued recycling concerns. Specifically the Miami Shores crew has not been taking cardboard in many instances. He relayed a discussion with the Recycling crew where they would not take a bin of appropriately sized card board, stating, "there is no room in the truck." Mr. Davis was to contact Miami Shores to discuss.

The board requested revisiting the evaluation of various recycling option. Mr. Davis indicated that he would provide a review or the research on the issue that he presented to the Board the previous year.

## **7. Public Comments**

None

## **8. Announcements**

The next meeting of the Ecology Board is Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013

## **9. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at: 7:30

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Minutes approved by: \_\_\_\_\_

On this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2013